

In the Claims:

Please amend the claims as set forth in the following Listing of the Claims.

LISTING OF THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A method of detackifying an edge face of a roll of pressure sensitive adhesive tape, said method comprising:

a) contacting an edge face of the roll of tape with a non-free radically curable composition comprising:

i) water, and

ii) film-forming agent comprises a polymer selected from the group consisting of ethylene vinyl acetate, polyvinyl acetate, polyvinyl chloride, cellulose, polyurethane, acrylic resin, and combinations thereof;
and

b) drying said composition.

Claims 2-6 (Canceled).

7. (Original) The method of claim 4, wherein said composition further comprises metal alkyl salt.

8. (Original) The method of claim 6, wherein said composition further comprises metal alkyl salt.

9. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said composition further comprises fumed silica.

10. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said tape comprises a backing comprising a polymer and a pressure sensitive adhesive composition comprising rubber.

11. (Original) The method of claim 10, wherein said backing comprises vinyl.

12. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said tape comprises

a backing comprising a polymer impregnated fiber scrim, and
a pressure sensitive adhesive composition comprising rubber
disposed on said backing.

13. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said tape comprises a backing
comprising cellulose.

14. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said tape comprises a release liner.

15. (Original) The method of claim 14, wherein said release liner comprises
polyethylene terephthalate.

16. (Original) The method of claim 1 further comprising
contacting a second edge face of said roll of tape with a
composition comprising water and film-forming agent; and
drying said composition.

17. (Original) The method of claim 16, further comprising substantially
simultaneously:

contacting said first edge face with a coating composition, and
contacting said second edge face with a coating composition.

Claims 18-39 (Canceled).

40. (Original) A method of detackifying an edge face of a roll of pressure
sensitive adhesive tape, said method comprising:

- a) contacting an edge face of the roll of tape with a hot melt
composition comprising wax; and
- b) solidifying said composition.

41.(Original) The method of claim 40, wherein the average melting point of said wax is at least about 90°C.

42.(Original) The method of claim 41, wherein said wax is selected from the group consisting of ethylene homopolymer wax, microcrystalline wax, polyethylene homopolymer wax, micronized polyolefin wax and combinations thereof.